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[Despatch Abstract.]

Passport – Visas for Australia Grant of Consultation between the Australian High Commission and the Indian passport issuing Authorities, – Instructions from the Government of India received.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
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PASSPORTS - Visas for Australia - Grant of - Consultation between the Australian High Commission and the Indian Passport Issuing authorities - Instructions from the Government of India - Recorded.

Home Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 2965 Dated, the 19th July 1949

READ - the following:-

G.O. (Ms) No. 1776 Home dated the 12th June 1946
G.O. (Ms) No. 2494 Home dated the 26th August 1946
G.O. (Ms) No. 2696 Home dated the 14th September 1946
From the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, Circulation No. PIA-134 (F.21 (2) P.V.(I)/48 dated the 11th July 1949.

Grant of passport facilities and visas for Australia.

Reference express letters from the late External Affairs Department No.F.209 (22)-P/46 dated the 9th August 1946, and 5th September 1946, (regarding grant of visas for Australia) N.D. 6205-P/46 dated the 30th May 1946, (regarding grant of Visas by the Australian High Commission in India)

2. Applications of foreigners for the grant of visas for Australia can at present be made either to a passport Issuing Authority in India or to the High Commissioner for Australia in India. The High Commissioner for Australia in India desires that this practice should continue, with the modification that the Australian High Commission and the Indian Passport Issuing Authority concerned should consult each other before taking a final decision on a visa application. The Government of India have accepted this suggestion. A Note explaining the procedure in this regard, is enclosed herewith for information and guidance.

3. Applications which are required to be referred to the Government of Australia should continue to be referred to them in addition to the reference to be made to the Australian representatives in India. A reference to the Government of India should continue to be made in respect of the categories of foreigners mentioned in the express letter from the late External Affairs Department No. F.209 (22)P/46 dated the 5th September 1946.

4. All cases in which an applicant has an adverse security record should be referred to the Government of India before the Australian authorities in India are addressed.

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NOTE.

Proceedure for dealing with applications from foreigners for Visas for Australia.

Applications made to the Passport Issuing Authorities in India in areas other than Bombay and Calcutta, should be referred to the Australian High Commission at New Delhi, along with information as to whether or not the applicant is undesirable on security police or other grounds. If the Australian High Commission have no objection to the visa being granted, they will inform the passport Issuing Authority to this effect, and they will quote the Australian High Commissioner's letter of authority in the visa endorsement they make. Conversely, where application is made to the Australian High Commission, they will refer to the passport Issuing Authority concerned before dealing with it. Reference to the Passport Issuing Authorities will enable them to advise whether the applicant has come under adverse notice from a security Police or other point of view.

Communications intended for the Australian High Commission should be addressed to the Official Secretary, Office of His Excellency the High Commissioner for Australia in India, New Delhi.

2. Applicants for visas should be required to fill in the enclosed form, which should then be referred to the Australian High Commission at New Delhi. Spare copies of this form may be obtained direct from the Australian High Commission in India.

The passport issuing Authorities are requested to furnish the Australian High Commissioner at quarterly intervals beginning at the end of May 1949. with particulars of visas which they grant

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By

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Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Police, Madras.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Home Department.

Endorsement No. 64253-M/49-4 dated the 26th August 1949.

Sub: PASSPORTS - Visas for Australia - Grant of - Consultation between the Australian High Commission and the Indian Passport Issuing Authorities - Instructions from the Government of India - Communicated.

Ref: G.O. (Ms) No. 2965 Home dated the 19th July 1949.

A copy of the circular No. PIA-150 (F.21(2)-P.V(I)/49/dated the 19th August 1949 is communicated to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, incontinuation of the G.O. cited.

S.A. IYENGAR
Deputy Secretary to Government

To the Commissioner of Police. (with a copy marked 'x'

Copy of Circular No. P.I.A.150 (F.21(2)-PV(I)/49/ dated the 19th August 1949 of the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs

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Reference Ministry of External Affair's Circular No. PIA-134(F 21(2)-PV(I)/49) dated the 11th July 1949.

2. In the form of application for a visa for Australia, forwarded with this Ministry's circular referred to above, the amounts of fees for entry and transit visas, shown in column 7 (a) and (b) are Rs. 4/- and Re.1/- respectively. Passport Issuing Authorities should, however, charge the visa fees as prescribed for the ntionals of various contries in the "Summary of Visa Regulations." When issuing froms to applicants, necessary corrections should be made therein.

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To The Home Secretary to Govt of Madras

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Home Department.

Memorandum No. 64253-M/49-5 dated the 4th October 1949.

Sub: PASSPORTS - Visas for Australia - Grant of - Consultation between the Australian High Commission and the Indian Passport Issuing Authorities - Instructions from the Government of India - Communicated.
Ref:- G.O. (Ms) No. 2965 Home dated the 19th July 1949.

A copy of the Circular No. PIA-162 (F.21(2)-PVI/49 dated the 16th September 1949 is communicated to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, in continuation of this Department's Endorsement No. 64253-M/49-4 dated the 26th August 1949.

S.A. IYENGAR
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Police.

Copy of Circular No. PIA-162 (F.21(2)-PVI/49) dated the 16th September 1949 of the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

GRANT OF PASSPORT FACILITIES AND VISAS FOR AUSTRALIA.

Reference Ministry of External Affairs Circular No.PIA.134 dated the 11th July 1949.

2. The enclosed Note may be substituted for the Note which formed an enclosure to this Ministry's circular referred to above.

3. Even in the case of foreigners holding Australian landing permits, a reference should be made to the Australian High Commission at New Delhi.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

N O T E.

Procedure for dealing with applications from foreigners for visas for Australia.

Applications made to the Passport Issuing Authorities in India in areas other than Bombay and Calcutta, should be referred to the Australian High Commission at New Delhi, along with information as to whether or not the applicant is undesirable on security, police or other grounds, Where the applicant is in possession of an Australian landing permit this fact should be stated and particulars of the permit should be given including the date of expiry. If the Australian High Commission have no objection to the visa being granted, they will inform the Passport Issuing Authority to this effect, and the latter will quote the Australian High Commission's letter of authority in the visa endorsement they make. Conversely, where application is made to the Asutralian High Commission, they will refer to the Passport Issuing Authority concerned before dealing with it. Reference to the Passport Issuing Authorities will enable them to advise whether the applicant has come under adverse notice from a security, police or other point of view.

Communications intended for the Australian High Commission should be addressed to the Official Secretary, Office of the High Commissioner for Australia in India, New Delhi.

3. Application for visas should be required to fill in the enclosed form, which should then be referred to the Australian High Commission at New Delhi or the Australian Trade Commissioners at Calcutta or Bombay, as the case, may be, in accordance with paragraph 1,. Spare copies of this form may be obtained direct from the Australian High Commission in India or the Australian Trade Commissioner at Calcutta or Bombay.

4. The Passport Issuing Authorities are requested to furnish the Australian High Commission, at quarterly intervals beginning at the end of May 1949, with particulars of visas which they grant

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